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FILING DATE FIRST NAMED APPLICANT ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. SERIAL NUMBER 07/907,483 07/01/92 RUSSELL E 2340-00341CP EXAMINER RAMIREZ TORRES, C5M1/0826 HARNESS, DICKEY AND PIERCE P.O. BOX 828 ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48303 3505 DATE MAILED: **NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY** PART I. 1. This communication is responsive to amendmen 2.

All the claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice Of Allowance And Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be sent in due 3. XI The allowed claims are 1-6, 9-12, 17-21, 24-26, 30-32, 36-664. The drawings filed on _ 5. \square Acknowledgment is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has [_] been received. [_] not been received. [...] been filed in parent application Serial No. _ 6. X Note the attached Examiner's Amendment. 7. Note the attached Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTOL-413. 8. Note the attached Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance. 9. D Note the attached NOTICE OF REFERENCES CITED, PTO-892. 10.

Note the attached INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION, PTO-1449. PART.U. A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE to comply with the requirements noted below is set to EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE "DATE MAILED" indicated on this form. Failure to timely comply will result in the ABANDONMENT of this application. Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). 1.
Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED. 2. X APPLICANT MUST MAKE THE DRAWING CHANGES INDICATED BELOW IN THE MANNER SET FORTH ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS PAPER. a. 😿 Drawing informalities are indicated on the NOTICE RE PATENT DRAWINGS, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. _____. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED. The proposed drawing correction filed on __ has been approved by the examiner. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED. c. \square Approved drawing corrections are described by the examiner in the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED. d.
 ☐ Formal drawings are now REQUIRED. Any response to this letter should include in the upper right hand corner, the following information from the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND ISSUE FEE DUE: ISSUE BATCH NUMBER, DATE OF THE NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE, AND SERIAL NUMBER. Attachments: X Examiner's Amendment Notice of Informal Application, PTO-152 Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTOL- 413 _ Notice re Patent Drawings, PTO-948 Reasons for Allowance _ Listing of Bonded Draftsmen

_ Other

_ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892

._ Information Disclosure Citation, PTO-1449

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An Examiner's Amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee.

Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Ernest A. Beutler on August 23, 1993.

The application has been amended as follows:

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In claim 1, line 20, after "said" 4 - - locking members - - has been inserted.

Even though applicant deleted the clause *locking members* from the claim, this was a typographical error. Without this clause the claim would be indefinite.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to examiner Ramirez whose telephone number is (703) 308-2168.

R.O.RAMIREZ (6) August 23, 1993

RAMON O. RAMIREZ PRIMARY EXAMINER ART UNIT 355





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